

# **FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

## **Environmental Improvement Program (EIP)**

### **Appendix 1**

**Fiscal Year 2008**

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## Fairfax County Environmental Improvement Program (EIP) Summary of Acronyms and Abbreviations

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| <b>ANS</b>            | <b>Audubon Naturalist Society</b>   |
| <b>APF</b>            | <b>Adequate Public Facilities</b>   |
| <b>APR</b>            | <b>Area Plans Review</b> – a process managed by the Planning and Zoning Department for development of the Comprehensive Plan.   |
| <b>BMP</b>            | <b>Best Management Practices</b> – structural and nonstructural strategies and practices that address stormwater management and other environmental programs and regulations.   |
| <b>BOS</b>            | <b>Board of Supervisors</b> – The elected leadership of Fairfax County.   |
| <b>CAC</b>            | <b>Citizen Advisory Committee</b>   |
| <b>CACM</b>           | <b>Clean Air Café Menu</b>  |
| <b>CCT</b>            | <b>Cross County Trail</b>   |
| <b>CDF</b>            | <b>Citizen Disposal Facility</b>  |
| <b>CESQG</b>          | <b>Conditionally Exempt Small Quality Generator</b>   |
| <b>CIP</b>            | <b>Capital Improvement Program</b>  |
| <b>CLRP</b>           | <b>Fiscally Constrained Long-Range Plan</b>   |
| <b>CMAQ</b>           | <b>Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality</b> – federal program through which the county receives grant funds for transportation programs.   |
| <b>CO<sub>2</sub></b> | <b>Carbon Dioxide</b> – A greenhouse gas  |
| <b>COEXEC</b>         | <b>Office of the County Executive</b>   |
| <b>CY</b>             | <b>Calendar Year</b>  |
| <b>DCR</b>            | <b>Department of Conservation and Recreation</b> – a department of the Commonwealth of Virginia responsible for oversight and regulation of various environmental programs that impact Fairfax County.  |
| <b>DHR</b>            | <b>Department of Human Resources</b> – an organizational unit of the county responsible for employment and recruitment, work and development, payroll services, employee relations, and benefits.   |
| <b>DIT</b>            | <b>Department of Information Technology</b> – an organizational unit of the county responsible for information technology.  |
| <b>DPSM</b>           | <b>Department of Purchasing and Supply Management</b>   |
| <b>DPWES</b>          | <b>Department of Public Works and Environmental Services</b> – organizational unit of the county responsible for various operational initiatives that impact the environment, including stormwater management, wastewater management and land development services. |
| <b>DOT</b>            | <b>Fairfax County Department of Transportation</b> – An organizational unit of the county responsible for transportation issues, planning and programs.   |
| <b>DPF</b>            | <b>Diesel Particulate Filter</b> – A device added to the exhaust system of a diesel engine to reduce emissions of particulate matter, hydrocarbons, and carbon monoxide.  |
| <b>DPZ</b>            | <b>Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning</b>   |
| <b>DSWCR</b>          | <b>Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services, Division of Solid Waste Collection and Recycling</b>   |
| <b>DSWDRR</b>         | <b>Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental</b>  |

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| <b>DVS</b>     | <b>Services, Division of Solid Waste Disposal and Resource Recovery</b><br><b>Department of Vehicle Services</b> – An organizational unit of the county responsible for procurement, maintenance, and disposal of most county and FCPS vehicles, except transit and paratransit buses.   |
| <b>E/RRF</b>   | <b>Energy/Resource Recovery Facility</b>   |
| <b>ECC</b>     | <b>Environmental Coordinating Committee</b> – A county staff committee formed in 1999 to establish cross-organizational coordination and collaboration on environmental issues.  |
| <b>EFID</b>    | <b>Environmental and Facilities Inspections Division</b> – A Division of DPWES in the Land Development Services business area responsible for inspecting construction site for compliance with codes such the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance, and the Public Facilities Manual.   |
| <b>EIP</b>     | <b>Environmental Improvement Program</b>   |
| <b>EIR</b>     | <b>Environmental Impact Report (state)</b>   |
| <b>EIS</b>     | <b>Environmental Impact Statement (federal)</b>  |
| <b>EPA</b>     | <b>Environmental Protection Agency (same as USEPA)</b> – a unit of the Federal government under the Executive Branch that oversees the management, implementation and regulatory programs established by Congress through various environmental laws.  |
| <b>EPP</b>     | <b>Environmentally Preferable Purchasing</b>   |
| <b>ERC</b>     | <b>Employee Recycling Committee</b>  |
| <b>ESRD</b>    | <b>Environmental and Site Review Division</b> (East and West) – Two Divisions of DPWES in the Land Development Services business area responsible for reviewing site and subdivision plans for conformance with the Chesapeake Bay Ordinance, the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance, and the Public Facilities Manual, and other County codes. |
| <b>ESI</b>     | <b>Engineering and Surveyors Institute</b> – local non-profit organization setup to increase the level of knowledge regarding development regulations of civil engineers and other technical professionals.  |
| <b>FAR</b>     | <b>Floor Area Ratio</b>  |
| <b>FCPA</b>    | <b>Fairfax County Park Authority</b>   |
| <b>FCPS</b>    | <b>Fairfax County Public Schools</b>   |
| <b>FMD</b>     | <b>Fairfax County Department of Facilities Management</b>  |
| <b>FY</b>      | <b>Fiscal Year</b>   |
| <b>GIS</b>     | <b>Geographic Information System</b>   |
| <b>G.O.</b>    | <b>General Obligation</b> – a type of bond   |
| <b>HHW</b>     | <b>Household Hazardous Waste</b>   |
| <b>Infoweb</b> | <b>Fairfax County's internal web site for employees</b>  |
| <b>JARC</b>    | <b>Job Access/Reverse Commute</b>  |
| <b>LDS</b>     | <b>Land Development Services</b> – A business area of DPWES responsible for ensuring that land developed in Fairfax County meets environmental, zoning, safety, and health codes and standards such as those required by the Chesapeake Bay Ordinance, the Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance, the Zoning Ordinance, and the Public Facilities Manual.                |

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| <b>LFG</b>            | <b>Landfill Gas</b>   |
| <b>LID</b>            | <b>Low Impact Development</b> – policies and Best Management Practices designed to minimize the impacts of development on land and water through localized strategies.  |
| <b>MWAQC</b>          | <b>Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee</b> – an organization established in 1992 and certified by the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the governors of Maryland and Virginia to prepare air quality plans for the Washington metropolitan region.                 |
| <b>MWCOG</b>          | <b>Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments</b> – an independent, nonprofit, regional association of Washington area local governments that provides a focus for action for coordinated regional responses to a variety of issues.  |
| <b>MSW</b>            | <b>Municipal Solid Waste</b>  |
| <b>NACo</b>           | <b>National Association of Counties</b>   |
| <b>NEPA</b>           | <b>National Environmental Policy Act</b>  |
| <b>NLC</b>            | <b>Natural Landscape Committee</b> – Multi-agency committee charged by BOS to identify natural landscaping practices that could be used to reduce harmful environmental impacts caused by maintenance practices, and to reduce the need and expense of mowing and fertilizer use. |
| <b>NiCad</b>          | <b>Nickel Cadmium</b>   |
| <b>NO<sub>x</sub></b> | <b>Oxides of Nitrogen</b> – a precursor of ground-level ozone.  |
| <b>NPDES</b>          | <b>National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System</b> – a regulatory program of the EPA, authorized by the Clean Water Act, impacting stormwater and wastewater programs of Fairfax County.  |
| <b>NRI</b>            | <b>Natural Resource Inventory</b>   |
| <b>NRMP</b>           | <b>Natural Resource Management Plan</b>   |
| <b>NVCT</b>           | <b>Northern Virginia Conservation Trust</b>   |
| <b>NVSWCD</b>         | <b>Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District</b> – a self-governing subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, whose mission is to lessen the impacts of urban/suburban activities on our land and water resources.  |
| <b>NVTC</b>           | <b>Northern Virginia Transportation Commission</b>  |
| <b>OPA</b>            | <b>Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs</b>  |
| <b>OTPA</b>           | <b>Out-of-Turn Plan Amendment</b> - a process used by the Planning and Zoning Department for amendment to the Comprehensive Plan.   |
| <b>PC</b>             | <b>Personal Computer</b>  |
| <b>PM</b>             | <b>Procedural Memorandum</b>  |
| <b>PFM</b>            | <b>Public Facilities Manual</b> – a county document that describes standards of practice for various engineering and technical requirements to be met during land development within the county.  |
| <b>PRM</b>            | <b>Planned Residential Mixed Use District of the Zoning Ordinance</b>   |
| <b>RBRC</b>           | <b>Rechargeable Battery Recycling Coalition</b>   |
| <b>REX</b>            | <b>Richmond Highway Express</b>   |

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| <b>RPA</b>            | <b>Resource Protection Area</b> – established by the Chesapeake Bay Program, these are areas delineated along a stream where there is perennial flow; the designated area is established to limit disturbances within boundary of the RPA.  |
| <b>RSTP</b>           | <b>Regional Surface Transportation Program</b>  |
| <b>SE</b>             | <b>Special Exception</b>  |
| <b>SIP</b>            | <b>State Implementation Plans</b> – An air quality management plan reviewed and approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency containing the actions and compilations of emissions, modeling analyses and other information needed to demonstrate that state-level regulations will assure that air meets federal air quality standards. |
| <b>SO<sub>2</sub></b> | <b>Sulfur Dioxide</b> – a criteria air pollutant.   |
| <b>SOV</b>            | <b>Single Occupancy Vehicle</b>   |
| <b>START</b>          | <b>Statewide Transportation Analysis and Recommendation Task Force</b>  |
| <b>SW</b>             | <b>Solid Waste</b>  |
| <b>SWANA</b>          | <b>Solid Waste Association of North America</b>   |
| <b>SWMP</b>           | <b>Solid Waste Management Plan</b>  |
| <b>SWPD</b>           | <b>Department of Public Works &amp; Environmental Services, Storm Water Planning Division</b>   |
| <b>TAC</b>            | <b>Technical Advisory Committee</b> – a committee formed to advise and assist MWAQC (see MWAQC) in preparing air quality plans.   |
| <b>TBD</b>            | <b>To Be Determined</b>   |
| <b>TMA</b>            | <b>Transportation Management Authority</b>  |
| <b>UFMD</b>           | <b>Urban Forest Management Division</b> – A Division of DPWES in the Land Development Services business area responsible for developing policy and enforcing codes related to the conservation of the County’s tree, landscape, and forest resources.   |
| <b>VDRPT</b>          | <b>Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation</b>  |
| <b>VEPGA</b>          | <b>Virginia Energy Purchasing Governmental Association</b> – an association composed of over 225 local governments formed to buy electricity competitively.   |
| <b>VMT</b>            | <b>Vehicle Miles Traveled</b> – the number of miles traveled by a vehicle.  |
| <b>VRE</b>            | <b>Virginia Railway Express</b>   |
| <b>WMATA</b>          | <b>Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority</b>   |
| <b>ZO</b>             | <b>Zoning Ordinance</b>   |